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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Interested Parties

FROM: Chief Gregory J. Burns, Chairman, Massachusetts Fire Service Commission

DATE: September 8, 2020

RE: Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Credentialing and Re-Credentialing Program

As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Fire Service Commission voted on August 20, 2020 to grant a one (1) year extension to those individuals holding a valid Fire Chief credential as of January 1, 2020. That is to say, all valid Fire Chief credentials which were active or issued after January 1, 2020 will expire one (1) year from their current expiration date.

This one (1) year extension is **temporary** and is in direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic. It serves as recognition of the difficulty in obtaining the needed points and professional development during this time and the accompanying closures/postponement of necessary trainings.

The Fire Services Commission reserves the right to terminate or modify this one (1) year certification extension at any time.

Best wishes and please stay safe.